GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Public Transport Facilities in Rural Areas
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is aware that many rural areas in the country still do not have proper 24 hour public transport connectivity even though they are properly connected with rural roads and if so, the details thereof and the steps proposed to be taken by the Union Government thereon; and

(b) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to create and develop better public transport facilities in rural areas to complement the road infrastructure developed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) & (b): The Government of India is implementing Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), a centrally sponsored scheme, for providing connectivity to habitations having minimum prescribed population in rural areas through all weather roads. Provision of adequate and reliable transport services on rural roads is the responsibility of the concerned State Governments. However, a proposal is under consideration to involve members of Self Help Groups formed under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana − National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) in providing safe and community monitored public transport services to connect remote villages with services and markets which will give a fillip to overall economic development of the area.

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